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FOR: AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE USING :
A MOTOR :

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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I, Lawrence E. Ashery, represent that I am an attorney of record for this invention.

The Assignee is Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.

The extent of the interest in this invention that the Assignee owns is in the whole of this invention, by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/544,065, filed April 6, 2000.

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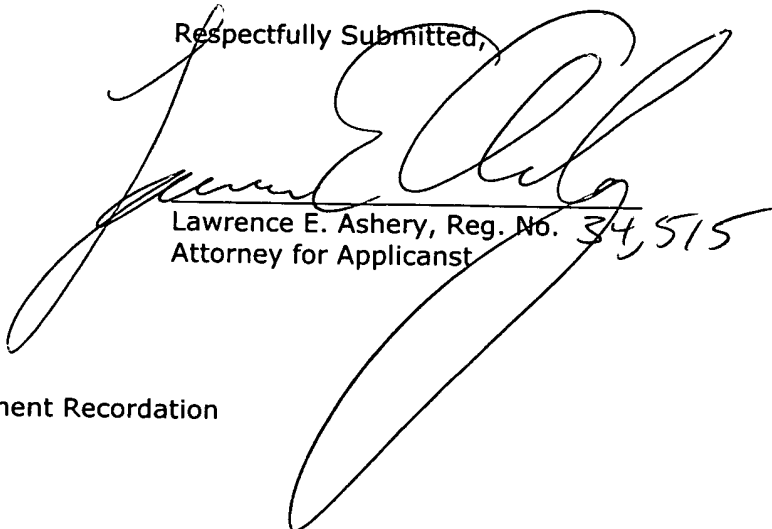
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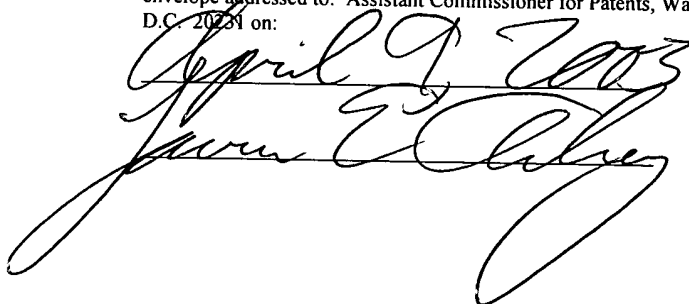
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has made an invention entitled: AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE USING A
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and has executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States
concurrently herewith;

ASSIGNEE
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WHEREAS, the ASSIGNEE
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is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and the
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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment is executed on the day indicated below.

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